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discussion of Senator Kime's L.B. 201A. Senator Kime, do you care to close on your bill?

SENATOR KIME: Mr. President.

SPEAKER: Yes.

SENATOR KIME: We're in a discussion here about the amount of, the money for this 201A and we'd like to have that bracketed for, until about Monday. Can that be done?

SPEAKER: Yes sir.

SENATOR KIME: O.K.

SPEAKER: Senator Kime asking unanimous consent to bracket L.B. 201A until Monday. Are there objections? Any objections? Hearing none, it is so ordered, the bill is bracketed until Monday. We will move on to the general file consideration of L.B. 37, Senator Burbach's bill. Clerk will read the title.

CLERK: Legislative Bill No. 37, introduced by Senator Burbach. (read). There were no committee amendments, Mr. President. There are pending some amendments offered by Senator Carpenter which were printed in the Journal and are found on page 421 of the Legislative Journal.

SPEAKER: The Chair would rule that Senator Burbach would have the privilege of explaining his bill first before we take up those motions.

SENATOR BURBACH: Mr. President and Members of the Legislature. If you will recall back several years ago, Governor Tiemann, by executive order set up an Indian Commission and, of course, this was an executive order. Senator Stull and I felt it was important that we set up this Indian Commission by statute so it would be an on-going program, continuity and the other things that statutes would provide rather than executive authority. The bill was written and it was a high numbered bill, it was 900 and some rather late in the session and there were a few areas that were not properly covered so this summer I have visited with many of the Indians, many other people interested in an Indian Commission so that there would be continuity, replacement of those who had either passed away or resigned or the calling of meetings and so we came forth with a bill and the purpose of L.B. 37 is to better specify the tribes and geographic areas to be represented. To provide for appointment of new members to fill those vacancies. To define a quorum. To provide for the payment of a per diem for attending meetings and also to arrange for special meetings. These are the areas that were not properly covered in the bill which was adopted by this body two years ago. Members of the Legislature, this is the purpose of L.B. 37 and this is the goals that it will attempt to correct and to have a sound Indian Commission to do those things that are necessary for the improvement and development of a minority race and I believe at the time, this is all I will say about L.B. 37 and I think you said you have some amendments and Senator Carpenter has told me that he has some amendments and we'll listen to the discussion on that.

SPEAKER: Very good. Chair recognizes Senator Carpenter. Will the Clerk read the amendment, please?

CLERK: Yes. It's again found on page 421 of the Legislative Journal. (read)